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The Committee charged with the duty of selecting candidates for the offices to be filled made the following report:

NEW YORK, January 14, 1904.

To the Council of the American Geographical Society:

The Committee appointed to recommend to the Society suitable persons to be elected in January, 1904, to fill vacancies then existing in its offices, respectfully report that they would recommend the election of the following named persons to the offices below designated:

President-ROBERT E. PEARY

(Term to expire in January, 1905).

Vice-President-D. O. MILLS

(Term to expire in January, 1907).

Treasurer—Walter R. T. Jones

(Term to expire in January, 1905).

Recording Secretary—Anton A. RAVEN

(Term to expire in January, 1907).

Councillors—LEVI HOLBROOK,

Morris K. Jesup,

GUSTAV E. KISSEL,

HENRY PARISH,

JOHN A. HADDEN,

(Terms to expire in January, 1907.)

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY HOLT,

W. H. H. MOORE, Committee.

FRANCIS M. BACON,)

On motion, duly seconded, Mr. C. C. Adams was authorised to cast the vote of the Society for the candidates and they were declared duly elected.

Mr. Robert Lansing then addressed the Society on "The Questions Settled by the Award of the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal."

On motion, the Society adjourned.

NOTES AND NEWS.

THE NEXT MEETING of the Society will be held at Mendelssohn Hall, No. 119 West Fortieth Street, on Tuesday, February 23, 1904, at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

The Rev. Putnam Cady will address the Society on the Physical and Historical Geography of the Dead Sea Region.

THE Index, Title-page and Contents of the BULLETIN for the year 1903 are distributed with the present number.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED to make the BULLETIN a monthly publication of 64 pages, beginning with January of this year. The numbers for February, March, and April, now in hand, will be issued in quick succession, and it is expected that the publication will become regular in the early summer.

THE U. S. Board on Geographic Names approved the following decisions January 6, 1904:

Allegrippis; ridge in Huntingdon Co., Pa. (Not Allegrippes nor Allegripus.)
Beckley; pond in town of Norfolk, Litchfield Co., Conn. (Not Blakley nor

Beckley; pond in town of Norfolk, Litchfield Co., Conn. (Not Blakley no Blakeley.)

Brannock; bay, Dorchester Co., Md. (Not Bronnack, Brannack, nor Brannocks.)
Bumkin; island, Hingham Bay, town of Hull, Plymouth Co., Mass. (Not Pumpkin.)

Celoron; P. O. and R. R. station, Chautauqua Co., N. Y. (Not Celeron.)

Cienega del Gabilan; land grant, San Benito Co., Cal. (Not Sienega del Gabilan.)

Dorseys: creek on north side of Annapolis. Anne Arundel Co., Md. (Not Grave-

Dorseys; creek on north side of Annapolis, Anne Arundel Co., Md. (Not Grave-yard, Dorsey, nor College.)

Highland; lake in town of Winchester, Litchfield Co., Conn. (Not Long.)

Inchwagh; lake in Livingston Co., Mich. (Not Nitchwage nor Michuaga.)

Lemon Fair; river, Addison Co., Vt. (Not Lemonfair nor Lemonfare.)

Morgan River; stream in Barkhampsted, Litchfield Co., Conn. (Not Mohawk Brook.)

Rocky Mount; P. O., town, and township in Edgecombe Co., and town and township in Nash Co., N. C. (Not Rockymount.)

Rosbys Rock; P. O. and R.R. station, Marshall Co., W. Va. (Not Rosbysrock nor Rosbbys Rock.)

Sollers; R.R. station, and point in Patapsco River, Baltimore Co., Md. (Not Sollars nor Soller.)

Spa; creek on south side of Annapolis, Anne Arundel Co., Md. (Not Spaw nor Spat.)

Starvout; P. O., settlement, and creek, Douglas Co., Oregon. (Not Starveout nor Starve Out.)

It is to be regretted that the Board lends its authority to the form, Cienega del Gabilan. The words cienega and gabilan are incorrect forms of the Spanish words cienaga and gavilan. Not impossibly, the pronunciation common in California may have affected the decision; but common pronunciation, even in one's own language, is rarely a safe guide. Millions of Englishmen speak of 'Am'stead' Eath, but those who know write and pronounce Hampstead Heath.

A COMMUNICATION from the Dresden Verein für Erdkunde announces the death in that city, on the 23d of December, of Dr. Sophus Ruge, the eminent geographer, for thirty years President of the *Verein*.

WE REGRET to record the death, on the 16th of January, of Dr. Leopold Wilhelmi, President of the Kaiserliches Statistisches Amt, Berlin.